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Dear Doctor Lederberg:

I have had your letter of September 12, 1966 in my unanswered mail box on my desk since it arrived. I appreciated your letter very much. I did not take your suggestion of writing a letter to the Post primarily because I felt that anything I would write would bring a barrage of answers from critics in the humane movement, and I thought I would wait a while to let tempers cool. I intend some day in the next few months to try to see Mr. Barth of the Post editorial staff, who, I am informed, handles matters relating to our problem in the editorial section of the newspaper.

My immediate reason for writing you is because I have also heard that you made an important contribution to the discussion on ethics of the use of human subjects in medical research at a recent meeting of the American College of Physicians. Since I am also interested in this subject and have been asked to talk at an international conference to be held in Paris on October 6 on this subject, I would very much appreciate a copy of your paper on this subject.

You may have seen a letter to the editor of Science which I wrote a few months ago, but in any case, I am enclosing a copy of it and also of a special communication published in the JAMA.

Thanking you in advance for help you can give me in relation to material you have written, I am

Sincerely,



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Maurice B. Visscher